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Wales, Alaska,
Feb. 14, 1944.

J. Earl Jackman,
Secretary to Unit of Work in Alaska,
Board of National Mission,
156 fifth Ave. New, York - 10,
New, York.

Dear friend Dr. Jackman:

We wish to tell you we appreciate a refreshing visit with us by Rev. Bingle here, who made renewal of our souls to have an opportunity; to communin service, baptism, ordination of church officers, acception new members and etc. So, I know he will tell you what he have found of our church needs.

As we have been looked to this time and we shall^{be} looking forward to have a visit again as we have had now.

With best regard to you all, I am,

Frien in Christ,

Louis Tungavenuk
Louis Tungavenuk,
Charter Elder,
Thornton Memorial Chapel,
Wales, Alaska

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Wales. Lutheran Mm & Ch.*

March 24, 1944

Mr. Louis Tungwenuk
Wales
Alaska

My dear Mr. Tungwenuk:

Thank you for your letter of February fourteenth in which you report a renewed spiritual atmosphere in your Church as the result of the visit of The Rev. Mr. Bingle. We are glad to know that his visit was beneficial to your people and brought them spiritual encouragement.

> I shall have the privilege of seeing The Rev. Mr. Bingle the last of this month and will hear more from him about your Church. We trust the Lord will bless and strengthen you in the Master's service.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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Wales. Alaska. List of Mission owned articles in church; Sept. 22, 1944.

- 1--Fuel Oil Furnace: stored there;-----\$74.50 new.
2--Coal burning stoves; cast iron; new very, very good--- 45.00 "
1-- " Heater; Martha Washington type, old, good-- 15.00 steady use.
3--Sets fire shovels and Pokers; new and old----- 3.00 " "
3--Stove Boards; under stoves----- 9.00 good as new.
2-- Coal Hods; worn out----- 10. old
3-- Sets Asbestos on ceiling above pipes etc; as needed-- 5.00. good.
40--Joints of 6 inch stove pipe; in use----- ' good
5--Elbows; and 2 T joints; in use----- ? " ;& new.
1 --Bell; Brass; Locomotive type; Iron supports broken;
repaired; by wooden supports; works fine----- 45.00 very good.
1--Table; partially homemade, of large dining table---- 5.00 " "
4--Lamps; gasoline; Coleman style----- 30.00 good as new.
1--Outside door; been used; reserve emergency----- 10.00 old, good.
2--Denim cloth curtains; large; class use; and Xmas time 15.00 New.
2--Historical Tablets ; on wall above door; inside---- 25.00 new.
1--Honorary War time Service Record; framed; on wall--- 1.00 "
1--Memorial Tablet; brass, heavy type; above door; outside 28.00 "
3--Chairs; mission style; in Pulpit----- 75.00 as new
1--Bible Pedestal----- 2.00 " "
1--Bible; large (the Pioneer here, valuable from the
sentimental pint of view)----- 15.00 old but good.
22--Bibles; for general use; Y.P.C.E. Soc. etc----- 6.00 much worn, usable
10--Lamp and curtain Hooks----- 1.00 as new
30-- Eye Hooks to support stove-pipe wires----- 50. " "
40--Pews; Home made; asst sizes; durable; old; serves well 85.00. old good.
1-- Step-ladder-- 12 feet high at least; much needed 15.00, " "
1--Broom; replaced as needed; also 1 dustpan, old----- 1.75 " "
1--Air-pump for gasoline Lamps----- 1.00 steady use. good.
Coal---approx; 5 tons; cannot count exactly, plenty for 2 winters on hand.
Articles stored in the Manse because of dampness in church likely to
destroy them; but taken to church as desired for use; and returned.
but owned by the Mission.
1---Upright Reed Organ; Donated to Mission; dedicated to church--\$175.00 new.
1-- Stool or Bench to go with above (see list of Manse articles----- "
1--Organ; Bilhorn type; Folding style; very fine; suitable----- 65.00 as new
1--Individual Communion Set; Aluminum Trays 4;
Glass cups----- 2 broken. 10.00 new.
1--Old style Communion Set of 2 nickel plated cups; 1 pitcher 10.00 good.
2---Bread plates for Communion & 1 Baptismal Fount (handsize) 10.00 "
1--Set Communion Linenes----- 3.00 usable
Jewish Communion Bread; sufficient for at least two Communion
Note-(40---Hymn books---Owned-by---Wales---Congregation)-----30.00 new

Articles in church owned by the Congregation of Wales Alaska.

- 60---Hymn books-----45.00 new.

Inventory taken by out going Missionary; Emma M. Stauffer;
original Copy sent into Mission Office by her; duplicate in Manse for
Successor; Rev; Percy Ipalook.

Emma M. Stauffer.

Sept. 22nd, 1944.

I--Kerosene oil Lantern-----	Value--\$2.00	good as new.
I---Gasoline Lamp -----	6.00	" " "
I---Ice-Cream Freezer; 2 Qt size; very fine-----	4.00	" " "
I---Dipper; Pt size; granite-----	50	" " "
I---Clothes Wringer; stored in attic-----	1.00	old; but works good.
I---Iron Stool; used often as organ stool-----	2.95	" but very good.
I---Commode Seat; stored in attic; reserve-----	3.00	new.
I---Paper Towel Rack in kitchen-----	1.00	Old but very good yet.
I---Lamp shade; granite, colors green, white-----		
att d to kitchen ceiling; lamp---	1.00	" " " "
I---Table; work, in kitchen, with drawers-----	1.00	" " " "
I--- " Dining; in kitchen & 4 chairs-Value--	25.00	new in 1941--very fine.
Table damaged in shipment; rep'd by Eskimo		and is alright.
5--- " assort'd sizes; portable etc-----	25.00	all usable, good.
4---Chairs; oil cloth, or cloth cov'd seats-----	10.00	old; wired up, usable yet.
2--- " Mission style, Rocker good; other one	6.00	not so good. " "
I--- " Rocker; sewing style; wired together	2.00	durable, good.
I---Mirror; Oval shaped, very old, but very good	5.00.	
I---Book Rack; four shelves; home made-----	5.00	very good, suitable.
I---Cabinet; glass front partly,-----	1.00	ANTIQUE; serving very well
2---Dressers; very old,-----	10.00	" " " "
2---Wash stands; " " (one very good)-----	5.00	" " " "
I---Stool; oak, belongs to Reed organ-----	5.00	New in 1941, with Organ.
I---Step-ladder; Pantry supply closet (small)---	5.00	Good as new.
3---Popcorn Poppers; 2 are tin; I is wire-----	3.00	Fairly good; serving O.K.
I---Bread Box; 2 loaf cap.--badly rusted-----	10	old; but serving O.K.
2---Trays; heavy tin; as for sick folks use-----	50	" " "
I---Heavy Tray; enamel large size app. 14 X 18---	2.00	good as new.
I--- " " " 2 inch deep " " "-----	3.00	" " "
I---Rack for stew pan lids-----	50	" "
I---Tea kettle; for boiling water in-----	2.50	good antique; serves well
2---Coffee Pots (I is Qt size, I is 3 gal) granite	2.50	fairly good. much worn
I---Tea-pot; granite;-----	25	very old; usable.
3---Iron & sheet iron Fry-pans, asst sizes-----	5.00	" good; like new.
I---Waffle-iron-----	3.00	new. Fine one.
I---Griddle ; flat-----	1.50	" " "
I---Flour Sifter--New in 1943-----	.50	"
2---Egg Beaters-----One in reserve supply-----	50	"
I---Griddle Cake Turner-----	25	" ; in use.
2---Rolling Pins; for pie crusts etc (I reserve)-	1.00	I new not in use.
3---Basting, & mixing Spoons; very, very good ones	3.00.	
I---Fork; as for Roasts;-----	50	old but good.
I---Roaster; Aluminum;-----	17.75	damaged in transit, but rep'd, works fine.
I---Roaster; heavy cast iron; (Dutch oven type)---	6.00	new in 1941, very good.
18---Pans; (cake, pie, muffin etc) not new -----	5.00	old but very good.
7---Bread tins; loaf size-----	3.00	very good; some as new.
5---Milk Cans; 5 gal ea; for water Carrier-----	20.00	rusty, but good yet.
I---Double Boiler; app, 3 pt size; leaks at handle	2.00	old usable yet.
I---Double Boiler or Steam boiler; puddings etc	2.00	" " "
7---Stew-pans, asst sizes;-----	5.00	" some fairly good.
I---Kettle, with lid, 12 Qt size-----	2.50	good; much worn & used.
I--- " " " 10 " "-----	1.50	new in 1944.
2---Colanders; one very small-----	1.00	fairly good; not used much
I---Bread Toaster; wire for on top stove use-----	25	old good.
4---Mixing Bowls; Glass; Nest style-----	1.00	" "
I---Fruit Juice Extractor; pressure style-----	1.00	" "
I--- " " " glass, hand pressure-----	10	cracked. usable yet
2---Fruit or Nut bowls-----	50	old, fair.
Approx. 20 ft copper pipe; fuel oil stove connections;	10.00.	NEW.
2---dz, Coal oil Lamp & Lantern wicks asst sizes	50	new
2---Lamp Burners, sizes, #2, #1-----	1.00	new
7---Window Shades-- 4 old ones; fairl good---	5.00	all others new; 1941.
I---Singer sewing machine Treadle style-----	35.00	good as new.
I---Victrola, Cabinet style-----	10.00	good as new.
50- " Records;-----	10.00	" "
I---Day Couch; day-bed type; folding-----	35.00	" " full size bed when opened.
Has springs, good, but very poor Mattress, on it.		

Old wood - scrapie to start fires in church - abundance - year
 1- Drum: 53 gal - Gasoline & 45 gal in 5 gal. cans.

2/3 or 3/4 of a Drum of 53 gal. Cap. Kerosene oil.

Wales. Alaska.Mission Inventory. Mission owned articles. Sept.22.1944.

3---Globes for kerosene oil Lantern-----1.50 new.
 6--- " " " " Lamps;---none on hand-----2.00 "
 4---Shades and some old glass shades for Lamps-----3.00 old;and new
 1---Gal Paint;Cream color-----3.00 new.
 1--- " " French Grey-----3.00 "
 8--Paint Brushes;asst'd sizes--been used;cleaned,fine--5.00 very good yet.
 Nails;about 100 lbs left from Lining the church----- ? finishing type
 seldom used except for Batting etc.
 2 --Axes;one bitted only;one small;one large----- 5.00 good as new.
 1--Claw Hammer----- 1.50 " " "
 1--Plane;carpenters use---Metal----- 5.00 " " "
 3--Chisels for use in wood----- 3.00 fairly good.
 2--Files;flat badly worn-----2.00 " "
 1--Soldering things---not complete--usable if desired 1.00
 1--Monkey Wrench;--wood handle broken;but good yet--- 5.00 good
 2--Pipe Wrenches; for oil drums; in A # 1 condition-- 8.50 " as new.
 1-- " " ;for oil line pipes at stoves--(small) 2.00 New.
 1-- Mallet;woodden----- 1.00 good.
 1--Square(Try)figures in white;----- 3.00 New.fine.
 1-- Bevel----- 65 " "
 2-- Saws;hand use; One cross-cut;other Rip-----18.00 new, "
 2-- " " " both " " very old----- 1.00 I is small
 1--- " for cutting large timbers-----2.50 old;good.
 1---Tin Shears--very,very good ----- 5.00 new.
 1---Brace and Set of 10 Bits;Latter old rusty-----8.00 Brace good.
 2--Bales Cedar shingles;left from roofing church-----10.00 Reserve,emerg'y
 --- Glass for windows;asst'd szez;can be cut to fit where needed; 15.00
 1--Dust pan ----- 10. old,good.
 ---Linseed oil;approx; $\frac{3}{4}$ gal for thinning paint-----2.00
 85--Drums fuel oil;stored in oil room at Manse----- ? this date.
 77--Empty drums----- ? " "
 3-- Fire Extinguishers;full;Qt size--2 Qts Refill----- ? " "
 1---Dust Mop-----2.00 good as new.
 1-- Floor Mop;with 1 extra Head-----much-used.----- 3.00 " " "
 Linoleum of all Manse floors except Childrens Meeting room;old much worn.
 and this should server for several years yet.
 Childrens Meeting room;hard wood painted floor;new in 1944;very best.

Silver ware;

1--Set of 6 pieces of these;each;--Forks;Rogers;1847.
 Knives " "
 Soup Spoons " "
 Tea " "
 Odd pieces-----1--sugar spoon "
 " " " " 1--Butter knife "
 " " Rockford make-- 1 Meat Fork.
 " " no name on them 1 Gravy Ladle.
 " " " " 1 Set Nut Crackers etc 4 pcs
 6---Table spoons--nickel plated ware-----new in 1939. Kitchen use.
 12-- Tea " " " " " " General use.
 Approximate value of above about \$25.00.all very good.

Dish ware;

1 --Set of 6 of each of these; 6 Dinner Plates. very fine;like new.
 6 Bread & butter plates " "
 6 Soup Dishes " " "
 Odd pieces same design are; 6 Desert Dishes 1 cracked;but good.
 1--Meat Platter;fine like new.
 1---Gravy Bowl; " " "
 2-- Vegetable dishes " "
 5---Saucers;much worn;but good.
 2---Tea-cups;both handles cracked.

Approximate value of above about 10.00.

Odd designs;

6--Tea cups and 6 saucers to match;very fine-- 5.00 new.
 3--Meat Platters;asst sizes-----2.00 good as new.
 2--Sugar Bowls;one is glass;good;other not good1.00 serves well.
 1--Milk pitcher;glass----- .25 new.
 2--China Pitchers; for water or milk-----3.50 new.
 6--Soup plates-----3.00 used;worn.
 5--Bread and butter lates-----1.00 " " old.
 1--Set Salt & Pepper shakers;glass-----1.00 new.Nick,tops
 1--Mustard Set etc-----1.00 old;good.
 1--Vinegar Cruet----- 50 " #
 15 Dinner plates-----5.00 " fair.
 12 Water glass;3 sherbert glass;3 soup bowls-- 5.00 " "
 1--Butcher knife-----1.00 New.

Wales, Alaska, Mission Inventory. Sept, 22nd, 1944. (mission owned articles)

Item	Price	Condition
2---Samco Oil Heaters;grand Heaters;new in about 1937or'38-	\$90.00	New.
1-- Fuel Oil Furnace; very good	74.50	"
1-- Fuel oil Cook stove:Allen Princess;very fine "	85.00	"
2-- Stove Boards for under stoves-----	4.00	"
1--Fuel Oil feed tank;25 gal.size-----	8.00	"
2-- " " " " I4 " " -----one in use;one reserve	10.00	fairly good.
1--Cast iron stove;old broken used to be in church;idle----	10.00	" "
1--Toilet Commode;Alaska style;galv,pipe etc-----	2.00	usable.
1-- " Slop Jar w lid granite -----	1.00	good as new
2-- " Bed Chambers;one very old;usable--ene-geed-ether;-	1.00	usable.
1--- " " Pan;as for Invalid-----	2.00	good as new
1---Wash-Boiler for clothes & laundry work;Copper;dinged----	5.50	very good.
3-- Pails;for water and carrying oil/asst sizes-----	3.50	fairly good.
1-- Covered pail with Spout for carrying oil---4 to 5 gal size	3.75	good.
1--Funnel;large;strainer for oil -----	2.50	" as new
2--- Wash-tubs; 2 large;one small and oldbut usable-----	5.00	large new.
3---Measures;2 qt size,1 is Pt size--tin,rusting badly-----	2.00	fairly good.
6---Small funnels asst sizes for gas lamps etc-----	75	new;& old.
3---Fly Swatters-----used some-----	75	fairly good
5--Wash Basins; 3 Leakers,rep'd usable;other 2 are good-----	25.50	" "
1-- " Board;brass-----in use-----	45	good.
3---Large Shovels;for snow etc--much needed in winter-----	5.00	" as new.
4---Dish-pans asst sizes;granite and tin-----(one new one)--	3.00	new and old
1-- Primus stove-----use it or oil stove ;summer-----	3.50	good as new
1-- Oil stove;2 Burner;table model;glass fount;very fine----	5.00	new.
1--- " " Oven for above stove-----ene-Burner-size-----	2.50	"
4--Pitchers;granite;one very old;usable;others all good-----	4.00	,as new
1-- Ironing board;home made;very good suitable -----	50	fair.
3---Sad irons;2 separate handles and stands-----	2.50	good.
2---Soot Scrapers.		
1--Childs Wagon;used for hauling water supply for manse-----	5.00	old,worn.
1--Bedsteadsteel;low style ² / ₄ size;mattress worn badly-----	5.00	old,usable
1---" " " ;Jenny Lind style;double full size,fine----	7.98	new;good.
1---" Springs;rust proof for above bedstead;very fine-----	7.68	" best.
1---" Mattress for above bed,full double size;very good---	12.95	"cotton fill
1---Cot;camp folding style;no mattress;very good,rarely used	2.00	,toonarrow.
1-- Crib for child;up to four yrs old;broken;usable;eemplete	5.95	fairly good
2-- Pliers;used for Lamps replacing Generators etc-----	95	good
2--pr. All wool Blankets;red & black ck;the very best-----	15.00	;worth \$50.00
1--pr " " " Dark Grey very heavy;very good-----	10.00	as new.
1-- pr Blankets;cotton and wool mixed grey color;steady use	5.00	old fair.
1 -- pr blankets;cotton;badly worn much used-----	75	"
4--Bed Spreads asst sizes and colors(one new,very fineone)--	5.95	new,& old.
3-- " Comforts;asst sizes small as for Crib-----	5.00	" good.
3-- " " full size for double bed;asst colors-----	15.00	very ",new.
9--" Sheets ass'd large sizes;2nd hand;but good-----	5.00	.
4--Pillows; best of Ticking for feather filling-----	5.00	NEW.
12- " Cases;asst'd qualities;but good-----	2.00	fairly good
12 General utility cloths for hot breads etc-----	1.00	good & new
12--Towels;linen;new;very good ones-----	10.00	new.
9-- " Bath;mostly new ones;but all good,usable-----	5.00	new & old.
5--Wash cloths--new-----	50	new.
4--Stand covers-----some linen-----	2.00	good as new
7--Table cloths;very good,asst'd sizes & qualities-----	5.00	very good.
10 " individual Napkins " colors-----	1.00	" "
Pot handle Holders		
1 Set Curtains for Wardrobe Closet-----	1.00	" "
6 Curtains for windows;some odd;some in Sets-----	5.00	new & old.
1 Set(2 sewed together) to darken widow in daylight season	3.00	New.
1 Set Drapes;dark Red;can be used for such,or Bed Covers	5.00	;as new,good.
6 Floor rugs asst'd sizes;some home made;much worn-----	2.00	usable.
1--Rubber Hose for drawing oil from Drums;good;old-----	1.00	fair.
1--Ice Cream Freezer;good except no lid;about 2 gal size----	2.00	Attic.
8-Stove pipes for Manse;on roof; 8 inch size;7 new ,one old--	15.00	Reserveattic.
5--6 Inch " elbows-----	5.00	new
2--6 " " T's for pipe junctions;both at Manse & church	3.00	new.
1--6 " Damper as for fuel oil stove-----	3.00	;used,good.
28--joints of 6 inch stove pipe not unpacked;need as reserve--	25.00	NEW.
10--Brooms for use in house and church;reserve supply----	15.00	all new.
6 Dozen Mantles for Gasoline Lamps-----	?	new
5,2/3 doz. Lamp Generators; r55-----	?	new
2 ¹ / ₂ doz---" " ; T 44 G-----	12.00	new.
1--Screw Driver-----	1.00	good.

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John P. J.

Wales. Alaska. Sept. 23rd. 1944.

Rev J. Earl Jackman.
#156--5th Ave.
New York. IO.
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Dear Mr Jackman;

Today I discovered I had forgotten thre more articles that are here; owned by the mission; and as they are new; and very good ones; I decided to send you a note of them by this so you may attach this onto the Inventory sheets; that have been mailed to you; in the Post Office; but they and this may all go out at the same time.
So here they are;

I--Wrecking Bar; heavy iron-----	\$.50 .00	New.
I-- Whit-stone; very fine stone-----	1.50	"
I-- 50 Ft measuring Tape Line; linen---	3.50	"

Sincerely yours

Emma M. Stauffer

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10 Laurel Avenue
Auburn, Maine
April 6, 1945

My dear Miss Gillespie:

I have your letter of April 2 and in reply will say that my records show I sent the little contribution of five dollars for the Wales Missions on January 21 of this year. It was very careless of me to enclose a loose bill in a letter but I am finding it necessary to do things the easy way these days. However, later in the year I will be glad to replace it with a like contribution.

Yed, I did know that Miss Stauffer had gone to Haines, and I am owing her a letter. She has asked me for a copy of an article describing the dedication of the Thornton Memorial Chapel, that came out in the American Missionary Magazine in 1912. Miss Stauffer kept me quite well informed about the work at Wales. I believe she performed her duties there very faithfully but it has seemed to me that the Chapel needed a man and an ordained minister. I had heard of Percy Ipalook, and his work in other parts of Alaska, through Miss Bannan, and I believe he will be instrumental in greatly developing the religious life in Wales.

It gives me a great deal of satisfaction, just at this time, to hear of the appointment of a native minister to the Church in Wales, for it was fifty three years ago today, our wedding day, that Mr. Thornton and I left Auburn for that far away field. Naturally I am recalling that day and the fruits the intervening years have brought.

I have never been out of touch with the work at Wales and continue to call the people, "My People." One of the Elders, Dwight Tevuk, writes me very frequently. He cares for the lot where my husband is buried, and on the Anniversary of his death, gathers flowers and places them around the monument. He seems to take great interest in doing this. He says, "You and Mr. Thornton were the eachers to my parents."

It has been some time since I was in New York. I used to go frequently and visit my old district in the lower part of the City, where I was a Social Medical Worker, under the auspices of the New York City Mission before I was married. But I have written too much at length.

With very sincere good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

VEDA S. THORNTON

Notes ALASKA
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Re: Wales, Alaska

Excerpt from Miss Stauffer's letter of August 17, 1946:

"Elder Louis Tungwenuk at Wales is a very good Christian; if there is no regular appointed missionary for there from the States maybe Louis would be missionary for you. He is store keeper now and a very, very good one, too. I tell you this because Romans have been trying to get hold in there. He is the last Charter elder of the days when our Dr. Henry Greist organized Wales church. Louis is good, conscientious, Eskimo. Let us pray for Percy; he has domestic troubles I know. And they do need a 'stick to it type' of minister for Wales. If a new village at Sinnok is in the making we need to have some one there to hold our people. It was deserted until lately."

September 18, 1946
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10 Laurel Ave., Auburn, Maine

December 1, 1947

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Mr. J. Earl Jackman,
Sec. of Alaskan Work, Presb. Church.

My dear Mr. Jackman:

In your kind letter of sympathy written to me on Sept. 8 after the death of my sister, Mrs. Harrison Robertson Thornton, you asked if I could furnish material about the early missionary work at Wales, Alaska. In this belated reply I would suggest that you examine a book which contains all of the diaries and notes made by Mr. Thornton during his short service at Wales, with a final chapter entitled "A Sketch of the Mission".

This book — ("Among the Eskimos of
Wales, Alaska") — was edited by his widow
and nephew, and was published by the
Johns Hopkins Press in 1931. It may
be found in many public libraries.

As you may know, Mr. I. went to
Wales as a Government teacher and also
as a representative of the American Missionary
Society. No doubt the A.M.S. could furnish
you with reports on the pioneer work at
Wales from 1890-1893, before the Presbyterians
took over. "The American Missionary" of
Nov. 1893 contains an account of the
murder of Mr. Thornton, also a previously-
written article by him. I cannot part
with my only copy.

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As to present conditions among the natives, I believe that Mr. Dwight Teruk, Eskimo postmaster and Church worker, is well qualified to answer questions, and he is old enough to remember something, at least, of what went on at C. Prince of Wales in the late 90's. My sister used to correspond with him regularly, as he takes ^{care} of her husband's grave.

I am hoping that the Presbyterians will reap a rich harvest from the seed sown by the early Congregational workers in our Northland.

Sincerely yours,

~~(Miss)~~ Jennie L. Pratt
~~She is now in the~~

Handwritten: Alaska

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America

156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

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PERM. FILE

January 23, 1948

C
Miss Jennie L. Pratt
10 Laurel Avenue
Auburn, Maine

Dear Miss Pratt:

Thank you for your kind letter in regard to the early service of Mr. Thornton. I have found a copy of the book, "Among the Eskimos of Wales, Alaska" in our Board's library and shall read it as soon as the opportunity comes to me. I appreciate this chance of getting the history of the mission.

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Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
JEJ:FK Unit of Work in Alaska

Dictated by Dr. Jackman
but signed in his absence.

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...the other side of the house. Only after a very short time and some other ... at additional time.

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... to be ...
... it will be ...
... to be ...
... I ... that one can hold out until next August. It is very possible that one can go on even after that.

During this week we have had four services, one for officers ... and a service meeting. The bigging feast yesterday was a great community gathering. Many foods were brought in in large fish pans and served. Askin's Cream made from whipped fat of the reindeer was one of the special dishes. Today we completed the visitation of every family in Wales. We have had prayer in every home and in most homes the opportunity was presented for scripture reading.

To serve in such a place would take the greatest assortment of ambitions and talents. The opportunities of leadership is numberless. As Sheldon Jackson made distinct contributions in his day there are still limitless projects awaiting some strong heart and spirit to tackle.

The elders are interested in a project of pews for the church. They need a type that can be moved about for the greatest use of the church as a place for worship and community festivals. My estimate on pews or luncer would be for 10 9ft. and 12 8ft. The present seats were made here. They are getting well worn and racked through years of good service. Alter furniture with equipment would add greatly to the church. Paint for the ceiling would brighten the room. and at least ... lights of the ... type, two ... ceiling lights, four wall switches, and four wall ...
A ... of ...

Probably a good platform rocker now
as a surprise tonight. he very good.

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Rev. J. Earl Jackson, D.D.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N.Y.

Dear Earl:-

The enclosed letters and copies are self-explanatory. Dr. Grace Fields of the Territorial Department of Health wrote Alice Green that a good measure of segregation of T.B. cases was sufficient. Other contacts are so numerous that the church could not be considered a dangerous contact when properly supervised.

There are many things about Wales that you will want to know. I shall try to convey them as best as possible through type.

Miss Stauffer just completely outdoes herself at her job. Whether it is shingeling the roof or moving benches she jumps into things like a young person. I have counseled her to calm down and to conserve herself. She is constantly driven by the inner disciplines of things being correct and right. On the 18th of next month she will be 63. These last few months have not been kind to her. On entering the field she was delayed at the town of Teller for three weeks. She stayed with the only person who could take her in. Her host was kind but very sparing with food. Miss Stauffer lost vitality while there. Upon entering the field she came to the manse to find in an abominable mess. Books, papers and rubbish was strewn all over the place. Eleven windows had been broken from the inside and only one from the outside. Even the gr pan was left dirty. Those days of trying to wade through the junk about broke her. Last winter she never went to bed without placing a letter on the kitchen table, addressed to Dwight Tenue, telling what to do if she had not awakened. Then she got some better. Water ran all over the place because Percy had shingled one half of the roof, left the comb open and never closed it up. As soon as there was a break in the spring she with an old elder, Edward

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Naturgok, started to complete the other side of the manse. Only after a very difficult time and some strong persuasion did she get additional help.

Most of the hard manual labour is completed. It seems that this winter may prove to be easier for her. I cannot predict how long it will be until we have word that she will have to be replaced. I feel certain that she can hold out until next August. It is very possible that she can go on even after that.

During this week we have had four services, one joint officers meeting and a session meeting. The Thanksgiving feast yesterday was a great community gathering. Eskimo foods were brought in in large dish pans and served. Eskimo Icecream made from whipped fat of the reindeer was one of the special dishes. Today we completed the visitation of every family in Wales. We have had prayer in every home and in most homes the opportunity was presented for Scripture reading.

To serve in such a place would take the greatest assortment of ambitions and talents. The opportunities of leadership is numberless. As Sheldon Jackson made distinct contributions in his day there are still limitless projects awaiting some strong heart and spirit to tackle.

The Elders are interested in a project of pews for the church. They need a type that can be moved about for the greatest use of the church as a place for worship and community festivals. My estimate on pews or lumber would be for 10 9ft., and 12 8ft. . The present seats were made here. They are getting well worn and racked through years of good service. Altar furniture with equipment would add greatly to the church. Paint for the celotex would brighten the room, and at least 8 sanctuary lights of the indirect type, two regular ceiling lights, four wall switches, and four wall plugs are needed. About 150 of flexible wiring and boxes would also be necessary.

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The matter of pews is nothing that is pressing for this coming year. It bears investigation and possible working out with the folk to see what they might be able to do. They talked about making them here if the lumber was provided by the BNM. Miss Stauffer says that she is not at all sure that they would lift a hand.

I have inspected the building as best as possible with the freezing weather. Both buildings look solid. The manse is finished in an old beaded tongue and grooved siding. It is painted and clean. The floor is completely finished in floor covering. Windows are tripple giving excellent protection. The four rooms are readily heated with two stoves, one of them a kitchen range. The large front room has another stove. It is rarely lighted. The furniture is on its last legs (this is an over statement). As long as Miss Stauffer is here she wouldn't want anything new. This is an item to keep in mind when discussing replacements.

Again the evidence is all around us here of the necessity of someone to come and stay long enough with these people to get to know them. The ANS teachers literally flow through here. The only contribution will be through a couple who will stick with the situation.

Please have Miss Koerner send me the date on which the Wales Hymnals were shipped. There is an item on their records paid to the BNM, I suppose, of \$65.31. It was reported at the congregational meeting of March 22, 1945. If this was to the Hymnals they should be credited towards it - if not they cannot expect anything back on the books.

There are no minutes of this congregation from April 5, 1945 until February 11, 1951. All notes on these meetings are in the possession of Mr. Ipalook. unless destroyed in the clean-up.

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The importance of radio in the lives of our people was reinforced several days ago when in visiting one of the Elders turned on his set and was able to pull in the three Anchorage stations, two from Fairbanks and the new Armed Service 1000 watt station in Nome. All of this is being poured into these villages. Home after home possesses a strong Zenith set worth over \$70.00. At times they pick up Kodiak and one or two have said that they thought they received Sitka. It will be interesting to find out if KALA goes on the air.

I am sending under sepearte cover from Juneau, when I return, a head from a whale spear. It is a wide flat sheet of slate that was most important in the kill. The spear head was found in an old digging back of the village. In addition I am sending you the ivory piece that was placed in the cheek of the make Eskimo. You may have some fun testing out people to see if they can guess what it is. The whale spear head is from Dwight Tenuk, the Clerk of Session and Elder Alfred Mazonna, the store manager gave me the other strange item.

This is all for now. Hope to visit this inte
interesting place with you sometime before too
long. Regards to all of you in #711.

Sincerely yours

R. Rolland Armstrong

Earl - This was
written to some friends
of mine in Alaska. I thought
you might be interested

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To date I have spent over two weeks at Wales. According to A. E. Bailey a noted ornithologist, of Colorado, he says "The Village of Wales, with a population of around 150 Eskimos, is on the tundra at the extremity of Seward Peninsula in latitude 65 degrees 33' north and longitude 167 degrees 51' west. This is the westernmost settlement in North America, and on clear days the Siberian coast is plainly visible fifty-five miles across Bering Strait. Halfway between, serving as stepping stones to primitive man who may have migrated to the New World from Asia, we are told, are the Diomed Islands and Fairway Rock."

Behind the village Cape Mountain shoots up into the air. This mountain might look like a protected spot for the villagers, but it accentuates all of the winds that come in from the ocean and by the time they strike the side of the rock ledges the velocity has increased to tremendous speeds. Small tar papered covered shacks sit in two long rows through the tillage. They are sitting on two ridges of high sand dunes. The row facing the beach itself are lined with the oomiaks on their racks. Hunting for seal and walrus are important to the subsistence of these people. On seasonal summer work at Air Force projects have aided in part of their subsistence, but for strong nutritious food the sea is still the best and finest source of strength.

Trapping is continued on a limited scale by the women. From the hides of squirrels come the small boots and coats for the children. They are light weight and warm. Evidences of mail order garments are gradually replacing the old clothes, but when the sub zero weather and wind begin their violence everyone gets their parkas and colorful covers on.

Every evidence of the reindeer has gone. For years a large and successful herd was kept here. It became difficult to get the younger men to shoulder their responsibilities and the herd has gone to the wolves or drifted into the caribou migrations. Several herds are evident in the coastal area, but the great purpose for which they were brought into the country has been completely missed at this point in our history.

The missionary ministering to these people must be a jack of all trades. At Wales we have Miss Emma Stauffer who was a superintendent of nurses at a large Pittsburgh institution. She served in India under the United Presbyterian work before entering the Alaskan service of the Board of National Missions.

Day after day there is a stream of duties that take her time. Medications for sore eyes, cuts, colds, and other ailments must be dispensed with wisdom. She becomes personal counselor to those who have marital difficulties and moves in on situations uninvited when she feels that her duty demands it. Crushing defeats are handed to her when young people drag the bottom of moral levels. She is kind in her reactions and is long suffering. Few people realize the tears of her heart as she tries and tries again to work with them.

Occasionally she lashes out at unsanitary conditions within the homes. The people know that her estimate of filth is correct. They hate to be brought up short on it, but she makes no apology. Following one of her well aimed "church announcements" one or two families will get busy with a broom or paint brush. Some satisfaction is always expressed by the missionary when she sees this. No commendation is too high for those who cooperate in the things that advance life.

It takes a true crusading spirit to accomplish what is being done. It takes a keen heart and ~~an unshakable~~ unbending will to accomplish the task. So often the highest spiritual and moral attitude is the one she expresses and she finds herself alone. This takes conviction. The road out of all of this is easy - ask for a transfer or resign, but this is not the way to bring in the Kingdom.

I thought that you might be interested in this little survey of this 63 year old woman who labours alone on this isolated spot on the Arctic coast. Few people know her name in the modern mission annals, but she is here.

I started this letter at the mission house. Finally I moved to the Weather Station to await my plane - overdue almost a week. I thought I would give you this little insight into some of the people I meet and where I live while on the fringe of things in our mission work.

Thinking of you and praying God's blessing on you as you work together.

Most sincerely yours

Rolland

Walter Permanent
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NEW YORK OFFICES:

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DR. J. EARL JACKMAN, *Secretary*
Department of Educational and Medical Work
MISS KATHARINE E. GLADFELTER, *Secretary*

February 16, 1952

Rev. J. Earl Jackman, D.D.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N.Y.

Dear Earl:

Enclosed is a sketch of the property situation at Wales. In a phone conversation with Hugh Wade of the Alaska Native Service Office he has told me that they have no use for the property and they will have their lawyer prepare a long term use permit for our legal department.

Word has come in here that the plane leaves for Gambell on the 19th so I leave today for Anchorage, Monday for Nome, Tuesday for the Island. (W.P.) I shall return here before doing anything else for there is Synod business and I have not heard of your plans for the Alaska meeting with department heads of the Territory.

Best wishes to everyone back there in the office.

Most sincerely yours

R. Rolland Armstrong

cc: Miss E. Stauffer

STORE - BUILT FROM MATERIAL
DONATED TO TOWN
BY MISSION

ORIGINAL SITE OF
MISSION DOWRY
(DISMANTLED 1934)

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AREA IN
QUESTION

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U.S. GOV. SCHOOL RESERVE
IN WALES ALASKA
14.40 ACRES.

THIS IS A COPY OF
PROPERTY MAP
THAT HUNG IN
ANS SCHOOL AT
WALES ALASKA

Old Eskimo
graves on the
rocks

Congregational
Mission Reserve
perfected in Mar 6/1911

Old Eskimo
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Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

AIR MAIL

February 20, 1952

Miss Emma Stauffer
Wales, Alaska

*see drawing attached
& Cor from R R Armstrong*

Dear Miss Stauffer:

When we received your food order for the coming year we noticed the absence of certain basic things, such as salt, sugar, flour and other things, and we were concerned that it was not a well rounded order. Since that, we have received a copy of Mr. Armstrong's letter to you suggesting that you purchase the food which was left there by Mr. Ipalook and use it rather than having an additional supply shipped. As Mr. Armstrong has pointed out, we do have an unsettled account with Mr. Ipalook and any credit which could be given him for food which is there would help to complete the account.

If we had a list of the food which is there and can be used by you, we could from the old records determine the cost of it. We could charge this to you and credit his account.

We do need further information concerning the completeness of your order and the disposition of the food which is there for Mr. Ipalook. *attached*

* Mr. Armstrong also has sent us a drawing of the U. S. Government School Reserve in Wales which calls our attention to the location of the manse. He has communicated with Mr. Hugh Wade, Director of the A.N.S., and Mr. Wade says they have no use for the manse building and will have their lawyer prepare a long term use permit for record in our Property Office here. We do not know how long this will take but hope that it can be cleared before time to ship supplies for the summer. Meanwhile, we have put the materials suggested in your first order on the list tentatively. If we can get early clearance on the use right for the manse, we will ship the materials. I wish we could do something toward rebuilding the foundation of the structure but it is difficult for you to find someone who could come in for the summer for this purpose. An earlier letter from you indicated that he would have to have heavy jacks as well as heavy timbers. We would have to know long in advance exactly what such a person would need else his trip could be in vain. Do you have any suggestion on this which would help if we could find such a person to go?

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Dept. of Work in Alaska

JEJ:jay

CC: The Rev. R. R. Armstrong

Galveston Texas.
July 10-52

Miss Emma Stauffer,
Wales, Alaska.

Dear Miss Stauffer: I saw
your picture in the Sunday news
section, from picture news. You
seem to be busy in Wales and
I am wondering if you could
use a able bodied helper? I
am caring for my 90 year old
father at this time, how ever, that
day will will come when I will
need something to do to forget the
sorrow that comes with our parents
passing.

Home I spent most of my life
reading and helping people, I
like people of all races and
enjoy learning something new
from experience.

A challenge is always welcome
by me, material things have
never really mattered and would

appreciate hearing from you.
You are an interesting person
I know or you would not be
where you are.

As an individual healthy and
willing I hope I can be of
help to a cause seen between
the lines in the paper when I
read of all the necessary work
being done by all of you
good people.

Hope to one day hear from
you and may God bless &
keep you healthy & remain.

Edythe Taylor
5014 - South Shields
Oklahoma City, Ok.

Wm. Permanent

JUL 28 1952

Presbyterian Mission.
Wales, Alaska.
July. 18th, 1952.

Miss Edythe Farley.
#5014. S. Shields.
Oklahoma City.
Ok.

My dear Miss Farley;

Your letter of July 10th has just arrived; and I am very much surprised to hear that you even think of making a trip up into this part of the country.

Possibly you are not aware of the fact; this village is just a little below the Arctic Circle; and we never have the pleasure of enjoying such weather; and warmth as you without a doubt have, where your home is. Snow drifts still about.

We cannot have any gardens; ground is too cold; I tried it when here years ago; it took lettuce all summer to grow 3 leaves. And the potatoes I planted in June; were well preserved; without even a sprout; when I dug them up in late Sept.

I have a few house plants; African Violets, Gloxinias etc; in my kitchen window; where I also raise lettuce, if desired.

Eskimo gather; green willow leaves for Salads, they grow on a vine like low shrub; that clings to the marshy mountain base below the rock-line. I often see some of these; when I go for Water $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from my house; in summer season, but I don't gather them to eat as the Eskimo do; with seal oil; quite raw at that, along with their dried fish; or dried meats.

But we have a nice village of about 185 people; when we are all home; Each summer almost all men folks go away for work; as there is no local Industry of any kind. Then late in Oct, or Nov. they and their families come home for the winter season.

We have one Store; native owned and manned. One school to about the 7th Grade; government owned and manned.

And we hold religious activities; as any Christian village does; week by week; the year around; whether we be few or many numerically. We get mail bi-weekly when weather permits Flying.

I buy my foods from the States; usually from Seattle Wash. also fuel etc once yearly; and it has to be rationed; in order to last from one Delivery til the next one. For about 8 months of the year; we are frozen in; in the full sense of the word.

I shall send your letter into the Mission office in New York; and if you are interested in doing mission work; you and them may take the matter up; but remember this is not a PLACE where you push a button; and get electricity; other things in accordance.

Sorry about your father; but we all come to the end of our TIME; my parents are long ago been called home; but what a joy awaits me the day I hope to meet them; in that great home "over there"

Cordially yours

Copy sent to Rev. J. Earl Jackson
156-5th Ave. New York

Emma M. Stauffer

all
Wales

January 3, 1955 LM:WFM

Mr. Roger R. Robinson
Operations Supervisor
Bureau of Land Management
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Mr. Robinson:

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We would appreciate having two copies of the official survey plat of Wales in order that we may secure from it the description of the land desired. If there is any charge in connection with this, we would be glad to pay it. If there is any question involved in this matter, reference can be made to the Rev. Frank J. Walkup, pastor of our First Presbyterian Church in Anchorage and also chairman of the Presbytery Committee on National Missions which would be concerned with this matter. As soon as we are able to get the legal description, we will have the forms completed and returned to you.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely yours,

JEJ:gv

cc Dr. R. R. Armstrong
Rev. Frank J. Walkup

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Area 4
Anchorage, Alaska

DEC 23 1955

In reply refer to:
LM:WFM

December 20, 1955

Dr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

This is in answer to your letter of November 16, 1955 to
Mr. Lowell Puckett, regarding your claim for land at Wales, Alaska.

As a suggestion, we are enclosing herewith a circular and application forms applicable for land desired for public purposes. If you desire to apply for your location at Wales under these regulations, please file the application in triplicate in the Fairbanks Land Office, Fairbanks, Alaska. An extra copy of the application form has been included for your records. Once the application has been filed, we will attempt to give it early attention.

We feel obliged to mention that the Act of June 6, 1900 (31 stat. 330), Section 27, provides for the acquisition of mission claims. The acquisition, however, is confined to only that actually used or occupied for missionary possessions on June 6, 1900 and the area cannot be extended to embrace lands taken after that date. In no instance can it exceed 640 acres.

If you are interested in securing your mission site under this 1900 Act please so advise in order that we may furnish additional information required in making such an application. There are no forms supplied under this Act.

Very truly yours,

Roger R. Robinson
Roger R. Robinson
Operations Supervisor

Encl: Circular
Application Forms (4)

cc: Fairbanks Land Office

DEC 22 1954

TITLE 43—PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR

Chapter I—Bureau of Land Manage- ment, Department of the Interior

[Circular 1880]

PART 254—SALE, GRANT, OR LEASE OF PUB- LIC LANDS FOR RECREATION AND PUBLIC PURPOSES

Part 254 is completely revised as follows effective 30 days after approval hereof by the Secretary of the Interior:

- Sec.
- 254.1 Statutory authority.
- 254.2 Who may apply.
- 254.3 Lands subject to disposition.
- 254.4 Purposes for which lands may be acquired.
- 254.5 General limitations and conditions on dispositions.
- 254.6 Classifications.
- 254.7 Applications.
- 254.8 Purchase price and lease rentals.
- 254.9 Lease provisions.
- 254.10 Publications; protests; patents; transfers.
- 254.11 Applications for transfer, change of use, and for renewal of leases.
- 254.12 Lands patented under prior acts; applications for transfer and change of use.
- 254.13 Cooperation with the National Park Service.
- 254.14 Minerals; timber.
- 254.15 Appeals.

AUTHORITY: §§ 254.1 to 254.14 issued under 44 Stat. 741, 68 Stat. 173; 43 U. S. C. 869.

§ 254.1 *Statutory authority.* The act of June 14, 1926 (44 Stat. 741), as amended by the act of June 4, 1954 (68 Stat. 173; 43 U. S. C. 869), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, under specified conditions, to lease or sell lands for recreational and public purposes. This legislation is referred to as "the act" in these regulations in this part.

§ 254.2 *Who may apply.* The following are qualified to make applications under the act: States and the Territory of Alaska; Federal, State, and Territory of Alaska instrumentalities, and political subdivisions, including counties and municipalities; and nonprofit associations and nonprofit corporations.

§ 254.3 *Lands subject to disposition.* The act is applicable to any public domain lands except (a) lands withdrawn or reserved for national forests, national parks and monuments, and national wildlife refuges; (b) Oregon and California revested railroad grant lands and Coos Bay reconveyed wagon-road grant lands; and (c) Indian lands and lands set aside or held for use by or the benefit of Indians.

§ 254.4 *Purposes for which lands may be acquired.* (a) Qualified applicants are permitted by the act to acquire available lands for use for any public purposes for which they are authorized by their creating authority to hold lands. Nonprofit associations and nonprofit corporations are permitted, in addition, to acquire lands for use for any recreational purpose consistent with their creating authority.

(b) No applicant can secure lands under the act, however, for any use authorized under any other public land law. This restriction does not apply to the use of lands for residence, business, recreation, and community-site purposes authorized by the act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609; 43 U. S. C., 682a, Part 257 of this chapter) as amended.

§ 254.5 *General limitations and conditions on dispositions.* (a) Applicants will not be granted title to or use of land under the act unless and until (1) the land is first classified as suitable for the purpose sought and not needed for any other public purpose or is not more valuable and suitable for some other use, including the development of power; and, (2) if the land is under the jurisdiction of any agency or instrumentality outside the Department of the Interior, that agency or instrumentality consents to the proposed disposition.

(b) Applicants will not be granted title to or use of land under the act except for an established or definitely proposed project. A definitely proposed project is a project which has been authorized by competent authority irrespective of whether or not it has been financed and otherwise fully implemented, providing that there exists the probability that it will be fully implemented within a reasonable time.

(c) No applicant can receive under the act patent for more than 640 acres in any one calendar year.

(d) No patent will be issued under the act unless and until the land is officially surveyed.

(e) All leases and patents issued under the act will reserve to the United States all minerals, together with the right to mine and remove the same under applicable laws and regulations to be established by the Secretary of the Interior.

(f) Municipal corporations cannot secure land under this act if it is not within convenient access to the municipality and within the same State or Territory as the municipality. Other qualified applicants cannot secure land outside of their political boundaries or other area of jurisdiction.

§ 254.6 *Classifications.* (a) Lands in Alaska classified under the act and lands in the States classified pursuant to the act under section 7 of the act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1272, 43 U. S. C. 315f), as amended, will be segregated from all appropriations, including locations under the mining laws, except as provided in the order of classification or in any modification or revision thereof.

(b) Classifications made pursuant to the act on the motion of the Government for which no application is filed within

18 months after issuance will be vacated and the land restored to its former status.

§ 254.7 *Applications.* (a) Applicants under the act must submit, in triplicate, to the appropriate office of the Bureau of Land Management an application on Form 4-1267, executed in accordance with the instructions on the form. Each application must be accompanied by (1) three copies of a statement describing the proposed use of the lands, showing that the application involves an established or definitely proposed project, and giving as much detail concerning the plan of development and improvement of the project as is necessary to describe the project and its purpose adequately and the proposed disposition of any revenues to be realized from it and (2) a filing fee of \$10.

(b) The acreage applied for in any one application for patent cannot exceed 640 acres and no more than 640 acres will be conveyed to any one grantee in any one calendar year.

§ 254.8 *Purchase price and lease rentals.* (a) Conveyances under the act for historic monument purposes will be made without any monetary consideration.

(b) Sales to nonprofit associations or nonprofit corporations for other than historic monument purposes will be made at prices fixed through appraisal of the fair market value of the land, taking into consideration the purposes for which the lands will be used.

(c) All other sales will be made at prices fixed through (1) appraisal of the fair market value of the lands or otherwise, taking into consideration the purpose for which the land will be used or (2) any method which considers the purpose for which the land will be used.

(d) Annual rentals under leases will be fair and reasonable and will be based on the value of the lands as determined by the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.

(e) A patent applicant, when the land has been appraised, will be required to pay the full purchase price before the patent will be issued. The rental under a lease shall be payable annually in advance. Upon appraisal of the land, a lease applicant will be required to pay the first year's rental before the lease will be issued. Upon the voluntary relinquishment of a lease before the expiration of its term, any rental paid for the unexpired portion of the term will be returned to the lessee upon a proper application for repayment to the extent that the amount paid covers a full lease year or years of the remainder of the term of the original lease.

§ 254.9 *Lease provisions.* (a) The term of leases under the act will be fixed by the authorized official but will not exceed 20 years. Leases will be renewable at the discretion of such official.

(b) Leases will be issued on Form 4-1270 and will contain the usual terms and conditions required by law, public policy, and, insofar as possible, by Department of the Interior procedure.

(c) Leases will contain such terms and conditions which the signing officer or the administering agency considers necessary for the proper development of the land, for the protection of Federal property, and for the protection of the public interests.

(d) Leases will be terminable by the authorized official upon failure of the lessee to comply with the terms of the lease, upon a finding that all or part of the land is being devoted to other than the use authorized by the lease, or upon a finding that the land has not been used by the lessee for the purpose specified in the lease for any consecutive period specified by the authorized official but not more than 5 years or less than 2 years.

(e) Leases will not be transferable except with the consent of the proper official. Transferees must meet all the qualifications of applicants under the act and will be subject to all the terms and conditions of the regulations in this part.

§ 254.10 *Publications: protests: patents: transfers.* (a) Applicants for patents under the act will be required upon demand to publish once a week for four consecutive weeks in accordance with § 106.18 of this chapter, at their expense, in a designated newspaper and in a designated form, a notice allowing all persons claiming the land adversely to file in the appropriate office their objections to the issuance of patent under the applications. A protestant must serve on the applicant a copy of the objections and furnish evidence of such service.

(b) Such applicants must file a statement of the publisher, accompanied by a copy of the notice published, showing that publication has been had for the required time.

(c) All patents under this act will contain a clause providing that if the patentee or its successor attempts to transfer title to or control over the lands to another or the lands are devoted to a use other than that for which the lands were conveyed, without consent of competent authority, title shall revert to the United States. This clause will terminate 25 years after issuance of the patent. Transferees must meet all the qualifications of applicants under the act and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the regulations in this part.

§ 254.11 *Applications for transfer, change of use, and for renewal of leases.* (a) Applications under the act for permission to add to, or to change the use specified in a lease or patent, applications to transfer title or lease to a third party, and applications for renewal of a lease must be filed in triplicate with the appropriate office of the Bureau of Land Management. No form is specified but the matter should be fully explained by the applicant.

(b) Applications for permission to add to or to change use must be accompanied by three copies of the showing required by § 254.7 (a) (1).

(c) Applications for approval of transfers of title or lease must be accompanied by three copies of Form 4-1267 executed by the proposed transferee in accordance with § 254.7.

(d) Applications for removal of leases must be accompanied by three copies of a statement showing, in detail sufficient to describe the situation adequately, the past use of the lands and the proposed use after renewal of the lease.

(e) Each application must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$10.

(f) Prior to approval of an application filed under paragraph (b) of this section the land may be reappraised in accordance with § 254.8 and the beneficiary required to make such payments as are found justified by such reappraisal.

§ 254.12 *Lands patented under prior acts; applications for transfer and change of use.* (a) Applications under section 4 of the act for permission to transfer title or to change the use in respect to land covered by any patent issued prior to June 4, 1954, must be submitted in conformance with § 254.11.

(b) The land, however, will not be subject to reappraisal and the beneficiary will not be required to make any payment other than the filing fee.

§ 254.13 *Cooperation with the National Park Service.* In furtherance of the purposes of the act of June 23, 1936 (49 Stat. 1894; 16 U. S. C. 17k), the National Park Service will review and make recommendations on all applications for recreational purposes submitted by States and the Territory of Alaska or their political subdivisions.

§ 254.14 *Minerals; timber.* (a) Any minerals subject to the leasing laws reserved to the United States in the lands patented or leases under the terms of the act may be disposed of to any qualified person under applicable laws and regulations. Until rules and regulations are issued, other minerals are not subject to disposition or to prospecting except by an authorized Federal agency.

(b) A lessee under the act will not be permitted to cut timber from the leased lands without prior permission from the appropriate officer.

§ 254.15 *Appeals.* An appeal pursuant to the rules of practice, Part 221 of this chapter, may be taken from the decision of the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management.

CLARENCE A. DAVIS,
Acting Secretary of the Interior.

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6. The land is ☐ is not ☐ used or occupied. Name and address of user or occupant

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Wales* *Perm Title, etc.*

October 11, 1955

Secretary
Department of Interior
United States of America
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For some forty years or more the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America has conducted a mission among the Eskimo people of the village of Wales, Alaska. We own a small church building in the village but have never secured title to the land on which the building stands.

Recently it has been called to our attention that on the 19th day of June, 1943 the Secretary of the Department of Interior issued a proclamation declaring that the area in which our church is located has been designated as an Indian reservation for the use of the inhabitants of the native village of Wales. The statement also said that the order was subject to any valid existing rights or claims acquired prior to the date thereof. Inasmuch as our occupancy of this territory predated the proclamation of the reservation, we are asking issuance of a deed to this property for church purposes. We do not have a plat to show the location of it but would suppose that there would be one in the Bureau of Indian Affairs which would show this location.

The Office of Native Service in Juneau has informed us that negotiations on this should be taken up with the Department in Washington, D. C. and therefore we are directing this request to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Dept. of Work in Alaska

JEJ:ms

cc: Dr. R. Rolland Armstrong

Dictated by Dr. Jackman; signed in his absence.

*all
Wales Property Dr.*

November 16, 1955

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Lowell Puckett
Bureau of Land Management
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Mr. Puckett:

For some fifty years, we have been using a plot of ground in the village of Wales, Alaska, for church purposes. It is situated within the exterior boundaries of a tract of land which has been set up as a reserve for the Eskimo people of the village of Wales. At the time the reserve was established it was recognized that any user of land within this reserve would have prior rights to the land which she had been using.

Recently, we had occasion to seek a deed to the land on which our church building has stood. We approached the office of the Alaska Native Service in Juneau, about this and they have referred us to Washington. Mr. Emmons, Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, has now referred us to the Bureau of Land Management in Anchorage, and we are enclosing a copy of the letter which he sent to me regarding this. We do need to seek a deed to this property and would appreciate your assignment of this item to one of the members of your staff for early completion.

Thank you for your help on this and best regards to you personally.

Cordially yours,

JBJ:dj

cc: Dr. Armstrong in Juneau and
Fairbanks for information.

Enc. copy of letter from
Mr. Emmons.

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Department of Work in Alaska

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Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian
Church in the United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Attention: Mr. J. Earl Jackman

Gentlemen:

We have your letter of October 11 requesting the issuance of a deed to certain land in the village of Wales, Alaska, which has been occupied by the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America for approximately 40 years.

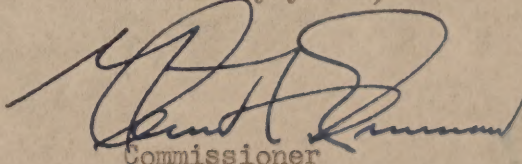
The land is situated within the exterior boundaries of an Indian (Native) Reservation established by proclamation of June 19, 1943, pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by section 2 of the act of May 1, 1936 (49 Stat. 1250, U. S. C. Title 48, sec. 358a). Quoted from this proclamation is the following paragraph:

"This order shall be subject to any valid existing rights or claims acquired prior to the date hereof and shall become effective only upon its approval by a majority vote of the natives residing in the above-described area, voting in the manner prescribed by the said section 2 of the act of May 1, 1936, supra."

The establishment of the reservation was approved by the residents at an election held on March 11, 1949.

Prior to the establishment of the reservation, the land in question was a part of the public domain. Any right which your organization may have to the mission site would have existed at the time of the creation of the reservation and at a time when the land was under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management. It is, therefore, suggested that you take the matter up with the Area Administrator, Bureau of Land Management, at Anchorage, Alaska.

Sincerely yours,



Commissioner

Glenn L. Emmons

*OK property
Wales*

January 3, 1956

VIA AIRMAIL
Mr. R. L. Davlin
Area Property & Supply Officer
Alaska Native Service
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Mr. Davlin:

Thank you for sending us the Revocable Use Permit for school property covering our use of the small house in Wales, Alaska as a manse for our missionary. We appreciate your cooperation in getting this arrangement worked out in written form between the Alaska Native Service and the Board of National Missions.

The Use Permit is made out in the name of "The Presbyterian Church of America." There is such an official name of a Presbyterian Church but it is not ours. Because this would lead to confusion in the future we find it necessary to return it to you and ask that it be written in behalf of the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, New York. After this full title has been stated in the introductory paragraph the term Board of National Missions can be used in each separate item.

We are sorry to find it necessary to return this but feel that it is wise for you and for us to have it correctly stated.

Thank you again for your help.

Sincerely yours,

JEW:dj
Enc. Revocable Use Permit
#120-125 made out to
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